

May 15, 2007

RE: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS - CONSULTANT SERVICES TO ANALYZE  
RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS

To Whom It May Concern:

San Bernardino County's Solid Waste Management Division (SWMD) recognizes the State of California's need for renewable energy sources. This, coupled with the Division's philosophy of environmental responsibility, has led to an interest in installing renewable energy projects (SWMD currently owns over 9,200 acres<sup>1</sup> throughout the County of San Bernardino). The projects to be considered may consist of solar, wind, biomass, geothermal, or any other viable renewable energy processes available.

The purpose of this Request for Proposals is to procure the services of a consultant to determine: 1) which renewable energy source(s) are best suited to SWMD properties (based on location, weather factors, etc); 2) the economic feasibility of self-purchase and installation versus a partnership with outside interests; and 3) the availability of any appropriate grant funding. Final product output should consist of a report including, but not limited to: cost/benefit analysis; pros/cons of renewable energy products; financing options (knowledge of available grant funding to government agencies is critical) and analysis of cost payback. The proposal should also contain an estimate of completion timeframe.

The successful proposer will be contracted under Purchase Order, not to exceed \$25,000.00. SWMD recognizes that price is only one of several criteria to be used for judging this service and is not legally bound to accept the lowest-priced proposal. Also, please note that the County of San Bernardino has adopted a preference for vendors whose principal place of business is located within the boundaries of the County. A five percent (5%) preference may be applied prior to approval of any purchase or acquisition of services, equipment, goods or supplies.

**Five (5) copies of the proposal must be submitted by no later than July 3, 2007 and shall be either hand delivered or sent by U.S. Mail to County of San Bernardino, Solid Waste Management Division, Planning and Permitting Section, ATTN: Nancy Sansonetti, Supervising Planner/Chief – 222 W. Hospitality Lane, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0017.**

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<sup>1</sup> A list of SWMD-owned property, by Assessor Parcel Number, and/or Placemarks for Google Earth, are available upon request.

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Any questions on this informal request for proposals shall be addressed to Nancy Sansonetti or Traacey Anthony by telephone to (909) 386-9063; by facsimile to (909) 386-8964, by mail to the address listed above, or by e-mail to [NSansonetti@swm.sbcounty.gov](mailto:NSansonetti@swm.sbcounty.gov) or [TAnthony@swm.sbcounty.gov](mailto:TAnthony@swm.sbcounty.gov).

Sincerely,

Nancy Sansonetti, Supervising Planner/Chief  
Planning & Permitting Section

cc: Peter Wulfman, Division Manager – County of San Bernardino Solid Waste Management Division  
Traacey Anthony, Senior Associate Planner